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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the time to submit a response to the Office Action mailed June 15, 2002 be extended by three months to Monday, December 16, 2002. The \$640.00 fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, including extension fees, or refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Order No. A-68112-1/RFT/NBC/467135-134).

Respectfully submitted,

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